

House Resolution No. 357

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an extraordinary young Missouri citizen who has attained tremendous personal success through achievement in the Boy Scouts of America program; and

Whereas, Austin Stephenson of Troop 318 in Lexington, Missouri, will receive the prestigious Eagle Scout Award during a Court of Honor ceremony to be held February 6, 2005, at the United Methodist Church in Lexington; and

Whereas, Austin Stephenson earned the praise and respect of many for the initiative and enthusiasm he displayed in regard to his Eagle Project which involved a landscaping project for the Lexington Parks and Recreation Department; and

Whereas, during his eleven years in the Scouting program, Austin Stephenson earned an impressive thirty-two merit badges, attained Firebuilder status in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say where his tribal name is "First Son of Swift Traveling Night Hawk", and participated in six years of summer camp and High Adventure trips to Florida and Alaska; and

Whereas, Austin Stephenson has readily prepared himself for the challenges of the outside world through his important terms of service to his Troop as Assistant Patrol Leader, Quartermaster, Chaplain's Aide, and Den Chief; and

Whereas, Austin Stephenson has achieved all of this and more with the love, support, and encouragement he has continually received from his proud parents, Wendell and Laurie Stephenson of Lexington:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Austin Stephenson at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction, and in wishing him only the very best as he continues to uphold the Scouting tradition with both honor and decorum; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Eagle Scout Austin Stephenson.

Offered by _____
Representative Joe Aull
District No. 26

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 357, adopted February 3, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker